

City of Manassas, Virginia City Council Meeting

ACTION AGENDA June 10, 2019

ROLL CALL: 5:32 P.M. ALL PRESENT ON ROLL CALL

Call to Order

Roll Call

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Council Time

Vice Mayor Elston congratulated all the Osbourn High School graduates and wished them well in their future endeavors.

Council Member Wolfe asked for an update on the Prince William Street Project.

Council Member Lovejoy had no comments.

Council Member Sebesky congratulated the graduates. She expressed her sympathy to the Virginia Beach community reminding everyone that those that were lost were not just numbers, but were family members, coworkers, and friends. She stated she attended the OmniRide meeting and noted that they have an updated website (Omniride.com) and are looking forward to more advancements. She announced that OmniRide will have a free bus service for teens that will run from June 1 to August 31 during the summer so that they can get to summer jobs and interviews. She stated that Virginia Railway Express thanked the Manassas staff and the Police Department for their assistance with the Railway Festival event. She stated the Positive Train Control is still affecting some turnaround times. She noted that some delays are also being caused by delays on other lines using the same tracks and the move of monitoring services to Florida, but VRE is working around the clock to restore their on-time service. She reported that there are plenty of events in Manassas this summer and urged residents to check out www.visitmanassas.org for more information. She stated this weekend will be busy with the Manassas Jazz Festival and Beatlemania on Saturday. She noted that this month is the 75th anniversary of the D-Day invasion that marked the start of the liberation of Europe from Nazi control and that there have been a lot of changes since then, citing the LGBTQ movement. She stated that 100 years ago, the 19th Amendment to the Constitution was passed giving women the right to vote, but there is still a wide range of discrimination and urged less judgement and more acceptance in society.

Council Member Davis-Younger reported that she attended the Social Services Advisory Board meeting and stated that foster parents are needed. She reported that she attended the Historic Resources Committee and they are working on a Comprehensive Plan and electing new officers. She stated that they are still collecting funds for the Jennie Dean Memoria. She thanked Public Works for the tour of their facilities. She stated that Manassas has a lot of events for everyone. She congratulated this year's graduates and Weininger's on the ribbon cutting for their Sweets and Treats shop.

Council Member Ellis reported that she attended a seminar in Richmond with the Virginia Industrial Development Authority, which was a good chance for networking with other cities, counties and towns to learn and build relationships and share ideas. She stated they are focusing on a big push to make sure that students are career ready, grow businesses and entrepreneurship and that the Micron expansion was the talk of the conference. She urged anyone looking to locate their business in Manassas to go to www.choosemanassas.org as there is information on demographics, site selection as well as tools that they need. She congratulated all the graduates and their families. She stated a few years ago, they started a media team called CCN Manassas and it is going strong. She stated that the students, teachers, and administration should be honored on a job well done.

Mayor Time

Mayor Parrish recognized Pastor Savage of the First Baptist Church in the audience. He stated he attended an award event sponsored by Alia and Corliss Udoma for the presentation of the Veteran Icon Award to Carl Braxton and stated he will personally deliver the award to Mr. Braxton, who was unable to attend. He stated he attended the retirement celebration for Rudy Tucker and that he will be missed at Grace Methodist Church. He congratulated Martin Quinan on the achievement of his Eagle Scout designation. He pointed out a couple of interesting words that the Boy Scouts live by: "I will do my best to do my duty to God and my Country, to obey the Scout Law and to help other people at all times; to keep myself strong, mentally awake and morally straight". He stated he will be attending the Osbourn High School graduation at Eagle Bank Arena. He noted that Manassas was recognized as having a lot of the "Bests" in the recent VA Living Magazine including:

Best Art Event – One Love Manassas

Best BBQ – The Bone

Best Breakfast Restaurant – Ashton Family Restaurant

Best Burger Joint – Foster's

Best Craft Brewery – Sinestral

Best Distillery – KO Distilling

Best Craft Cocktails – Monza

Best Farmer's Market – (2nd) The Bone

Best Food Truck – The Bone

Best Locally Owned Coffee Shop – Jirony's

Best Mexican Restaurant - Zandras

Best Indian Food - Rangoli

Best Oysters – CJ Finns

Best Italian (3rd) – Tony's

Best Pizzeria – Tony's

Best Seafood Restaurant – CJ Finns

Best Local Ice Cream Shop – Nathans

Best Bed and Breakfast – Manassas Junction

Best Accounting Firm – Duvall Wheeler

Best Air Charter Service – Chantilly Air

Best Architecture Firm – Loveless Porter

Best Funeral Home - Pierce

Best Antiques – Ironhorse Antiques

Best Fine Jewelry – Ashby's

Best Gifts – (1^{st}) Shining Soul and (2^{nd}) The Things I Love

Best Independent Home Décor Store – The Things I Love

Mayor Parrish shared a letter from Mr. Gerson regarding moving some City services.

Staff Reports

W. Pat Pate, City Manager, expressed his sympathy to the City of Virginia Beach. He noted that the City has done many things that have been discussed as best practices are already being done at the City to keep the employees and citizens safe. He stated they will be continuing to look at things that can be done.

Bryan Foster, Deputy City Manager, reported that Prince William Street has been under construction since last summer and the construction company will not meet the completion date of the second week of July. He stated that the stop work order has put them behind schedule. He stated that staff is monitoring this carefully. He stated that the project website has been updated as of the end of last week with the latest schedule showing a September completion date. He stated that staff is trying to meet this date; however, the project needs to be done in a safe and proper manner with all work done correctly. He stated they have been allowed to work on Saturdays to try to catch up. He stated that the contract has liquidated damages which will be assessed at the end. He stated that citizens can sign up with the Notify Me link for updates.

Mr. Pate announced that the City Refuse and Recycling Coordinator has received a Keep Virginia Beautiful grant and will be working on a program to maintain the beauty of the downtown area with more portable ashtrays. He stated in terms of new services being provided, Stonewall Park Pool will have free wifi and the pool now will take credit cards. He stated that is part of a pilot to do free wifi at the museum and lawn area to encourage tourism. He stated that the City Communications team has started an agency page at NextDoor.com, which will be another way to keep residents informed. He stated that the Battalion Chief has a new vehicle. He reported that the City of Manassas has been recognized

as being a top performer in resident involvement in City Living Magazine. He reported on June 19 at 6 p.m., residents can hear more about the Grant Avenue Beautification project at the Georgetown South Community Center. He stated that Osbourn High School has been named a Blue Ribbon School for their Music Department. He reminded everyone that June 11 is a primary day in Virginia.

Mr. Pate stated there are three employees retiring in June with a total of 59 years of service. He stated that Claudia "Chicky" Conklin is retiring after 38 years of service to all the chiefs of Police. He stated that Ron King, Director of Social Services is retiring as the end of the month and Denise Lindquist will be retiring as a Senior Accountant. He wished them well in their future endeavors.

1. Consent Agenda

- 1.1 City Council Minutes: May 13, 2019 and May 20, 2019
- 1.2 Performance Bond and Erosion Control Bond Release: Jackson Manor, Section 1, Lot 44. Lot Grading Plan, SP#2019-0016
- 1.3 Performance Bond and Erosion Control Bond Release: Technology Drive Self Storage. Site Plan. SP#03-63, SP#16-35
- 1.4 Resolution #R-20199-59: Street Name Assignments Landing at Cannon Branch (Commercial) and Manassas Regional Airport
- 1.5 Ordinance #O-2019-24: An Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the Code of Ordinances, City of Manassas, Virginia (2002), as Amended, By Amending Section 114-481 of Article X (Stopping, Standing and Parking) of Division 2 (Stopping on Highways) Related to Parking Vehicle without Current Commonwealth of Virginia License Plate, Decal, or Safety Inspection Sticker (Second Reading)
- 1.6 Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-16: Setting the Tax Year 2019 Personal Property Tax Rate to Support the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget (Second Reading)
- 1.7 Ordinance #O-2019-25: An Uncodified Ordinance to Provide for the Payment of a Fine in Lieu of Prosecution for Parking Violations (Second Reading)

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved the Consent Agenda as presented. (6/0)

2. Ordinances and Resolutions

2.1 Resolution #R-2019-60: A Resolution Approving a Wastewater Capacity Sale and Purchase Agreement Between the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County and the City of Manassas, Virginia

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved Resolution #R-2019-60. (6/0)

2.2 Resolution #R-2019-61: A Resolution Approving the Execution of a Consent and Estoppel Agreement and a Ground Lessor Estoppel Certificate and NonDisturbance Agreement by the City of Manassas, Virginia

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved Resolution #R-2019-61. (6/0)

3. **New Business**

3.1 Amendments to Policy Statement #P-2016-03: Related to Term Limits for City Boards, Committees and Commissions Policy

Craig Brown, City Attorney, presented amendments to the previously approved policy statement and suggested further amendments as suggested by Council.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved Amendments to Policy Statement #P-2016-03 as outlined in the Agenda Statement and redline version presented to the Council (6/0)

4. Authorize a Closed Meeting

4.1 Authorization of a Closed Meeting

Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 A (1):

1. Appointments to Boards, Committees and Commissions

COUNCIL ACTION: Authorized a Closed Meeting. (6:29 p.m.) (6/0)

5. Certify the Closed Meeting

5.1 Certification of the Closed Meeting

COUNCIL ACTION: Certified the Closed Meeting. (7:30 p.m.) (6/0)

7. **Citizens' Time – 7:30 p.m.**

Chris Keller, City resident, spoke regarding trash and parking issues in the Bristow Station Community. He also noted that the yellow paint on the curb to designate a no-parking area has peeled off and needs repaired.

8. Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Council Member Sebesky moved, seconded by Council Member Ellis, that the following appointments be approved:

Myra B. Brent to the **Architectural Review Board** as a regular member to a four-year term ending June 30, 2023;

William Sterling Rush to the Architectural Review Board as a regular member to fill an unexpired term ending June 30, 2021; and

Kristen Bray to the **Citizens Advisory Committee on Cemeteries** as a regular member to a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

Pamela B. Kincheloe to the **Health Systems Agency Board** as a regular member to a three-year term ending June 30, 2022; and

Ralph J. Smith to the **Manassas Historic Resources Board** as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

And that the following reappointments be approved:

Mark T. Olsen to the Citizens Advisory Committee on Cemeteries as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

Marci Settle to the Citizens Advisory Committee on Cemeteries as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

Connie Gilman to the **Manassas Historic Resources Board** as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

Mark T. Olsen to the Manassas Historic Resources Board as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

Jill U. Pascale to the **Manassas Historic Resources Board** as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

Donald L. Wilson to the **Manassas Historic Resources Board** as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

Richard H. Seraydarian to the **Manassas Regional Airport Commission** as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023; and

Howard W. Goodie to the **Manassas Regional Airport Commission** as a regular member for a four-year term ending June 30, 2023.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved appointments as presented. (6/0)

Adjourned: 7:38 p.m.